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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Los Angeles – LA Law Enforcement on High Alert After Street Gangs Threaten Officers

(U) Police Officers across Southern California are being warned to be on guard after LA County sheriff's homicide investigators discovered unspecified threats by street gangs targeting officers. The warning was issued two weeks ago by the LA County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau after a shooting by an officer. The threat does not name a specific agency, but an officer safety bulletin was issued to advise local agencies and officers about the threat, according to officials.

SOURCE: 30 May 2017, LA Times

(U) San Francisco – Hackers Breach Kmart's Credit Card Payment System

(U) Sears Holdings has confirmed that hackers recently breached the credit card processing system of some of its Kmart stores, and that the cards of some customers could have been compromised. However, neither Sears nor Kmart were deeply impacted by the attack, according to Sears. This is the second time since 2014 that the company has been targeted by hackers. Over the Memorial Day weekend, Chipotle also acknowledged that most of its stores had been hit by hackers using malicious software.

SOURCE: 31 May 2017, San Diego Union Tribune

(U) NATIONAL

(U) New York – FBI Arrests 19 Accused New York Mobsters

(U) New York – Federal agents in New York arrested the alleged leaders of the Lucchese crime family, a network of criminals who were the inspiration for the acclaimed mobster film "Goodfellas." Suspects have been charged with crimes ranging from murder to the illegal sale of cigarettes, according to the US Attorney's Office. The crimes were committed in connection to a larger racketeering scheme run out of New York dating back at least 17 years, according to prosecutors.

SOURCE: 31 May 2017, Reuters

(U) New York - US Air Force Vet Gets 35 Year Prison Sentence for Trying to Join ISIS

(U) New York – A US Air Force veteran has been sentenced to 35 years in prison for providing material support to ISIS. Tairod Pugh was convicted by a federal jury in 2016 on charges of trying to give material support to ISIS and of obstruction of justice, according to a US Justice Department indictment. Prosecutors presented evidence showing Pugh traveled from Egypt to Turkey in January 2015 in an attempt to cross into Syria to join ISIS. After being denied entry to Turkey, he was sent back to Egypt and deported to the United States. Investigators discovered a letter on Pugh's computer saying he wanted to "use the talents and skills given to me by Allah to establish and defend the Islamic State." SOURCE: 31 May 2017, CNN

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(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Australia - Malaysia Airlines Plane Threat Foiled by Passengers

(U) Melbourne – A Malaysia Airlines flight bound for Kuala Lumpur was forced to return to Melbourne after a man tried to enter the cockpit before being subdued by passengers. The flight landed safely and the passenger was arrested, according to police. The suspect was carrying a suspicious object that police later determined was not an explosive device. Police initially treated it as a possible terrorism incident before determining it was "a case involving a mental health issue," according to police.

SOURCE: 31 May 2017, BBC

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